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In re the Application of:

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Confirmation No.

Filed: May 29, 1997

Examiner: Young, J.

For: SERVICE POINT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR USE IN SALES PROMOTION SERVICES

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed April 13, 2001, and having a period for response set to expire on July 13, 2001. A Petition for a two-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to September 13, 2001. Therefore, this Amendment is timely filed by September 13, 2001. However, if any further fees are required in connection with the filing of this Amendment, please charge our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please REPLACE claims 17, 18, 24-26, 28-30, 32-35, 37, 50, 52, and 53 and ADD new claims 65 and 66 in accordance with the following:

17. (AS TWICE AMENDED) A point management system employing a computer for managing points issued to each customer who receives service according to the issued points, comprising:

point issue means for issuing the points to the customer according to transactions performed by the customer;